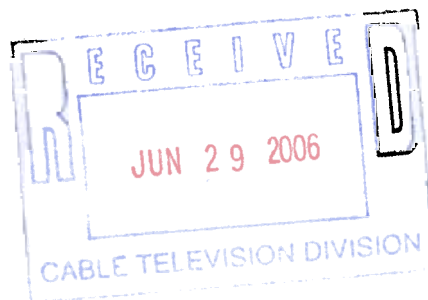


Alicia Matthews
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Boston, MA 02111



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June 28, 2006

Dear Ms. Matthews,

I am writing to let you know I want more choice for my cable TV service. I'm not alone. Research has shown that nearly 90 percent of Massachusetts consumers favor more choice in cable services in their communities.

Verizon recently filed a proposal with the Department of Telecommunications and Energy to set a time limit on the cable franchise process for companies that want to offer competitive cable TV service. Shortening that process can only be good for thousands of consumers who want the benefits of cable competition.

We see across the country that competition works. Where Verizon is offering TV service, cable companies have cut their prices or offered better services.

This proposal is right for Massachusetts too. Massachusetts municipalities do not lose any of the benefits they get under the current franchise rules. They will still receive cable franchise fees as well as public, education and government channels, and will maintain jurisdiction over their local rights of way.

Please move quickly to adopt Verizon's proposal to speed up the benefits of cable competition. It's time to give Massachusetts consumers what they want – a real choice for cable TV!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Mary W Sarris'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large 'M' and 'S'.

Mary W. Sarris

cc: Judith Judson
James Connelly
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